



**AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES
Department for Children and Families**

Notice of Emergency Rule-Making
General Assistance Burial Rules

The following emergency rule is available for public review and comment.

Summary of the rule: The Department for Children and Families (DCF) will file an Emergency Rule that would limit the department's payment for burials to a maximum of \$1,100 per individual effective July 1, 2010.

The rule implements changes to the General Assistance Program. The emergency rule would change the Department's practice of paying for burials by limiting the payment to a maximum of \$1,100. This maximum would be reduced by available resources of the deceased or the deceased's spouse. Family, friends, or other individuals could pay for additional services not paid for by the department. This emergency rule will be effective July 1, 2010 and, in accordance with Vermont law, will expire 120 days later.

Rule-making process: This emergency rule (10-06) will be filed no later than June 30, 2010. The Department will file a proposed non-emergency rule simultaneously with the emergency rule.

Public Comments: A public hearing will be held on June 21, 2010 at the Vermont Agency of Human Services' DCF Commissioner's Office Conference Room, State Office Complex, 103 South Main Street, Waterbury, VT 05671 at 10:00 a.m. Written comments may be submitted no later than June 23, 2010, at 4:30 p.m. to Stella Bukanc, Policy Analyst, Economic Services Division, DCF, 103 So. Main Street, Waterbury, VT 05671-5501 or via e-mail at stella.bukanc@ahs.state.vt.us.

Copies of the emergency rule: Copies of the rules are available at DCF's website, <http://dcf.vermont.gov/esd/rules> or from Afsar Sultana, tel. 802-241-3525 or fax 802-241-2235.